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Senator Campbell Files Bill to Ease Burden on Military Families
SB 1200 Honors Occupational Licenses from Other States for Military Spouses

AUSTIN – Calling it one of her top legislative priorities of the session, State Senator Donna Campbell filed Senate Bill 1200 today, otherwise known as the Support for Military Spouses Act. The bill would allow military spouses who have occupational licenses in good standing from another state to quickly begin working in Texas.

"Military families stationed in Texas shouldn't be kept waiting on an income because of bureaucratic red tape and burdensome state licensing requirements. The Support for Military Spouses Act ensures that if the spouse of a service member has a valid occupational license from another state that they can begin to work in their field immediately," said Senator Campbell. "This is a win-win for our workforce and our military families."

SB 1200 would require the applicable state agency to determine that the occupation license from the previous jurisdiction is current and that the requirements are substantially equivalent. Reciprocity of the out-of-state license would expire after three years.

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State Senator Donna Campbell is an emergency room physician who chairs the Veteran Affairs and Border Security Committee and represents Senate District 25.